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Suggestion: It seems prudent to define the rice maintenance flow exemption in terms of the variation in flow conditions within the growing season, high volume and low volume, rather than in terms of the crop, "rice". Doing so will allow the exemption to be applied with minimal fuss to crops which have yet to be invented which may require similar flood-up and maintenance operations.

There is a low probability a new crop may be developed which requires these irrigation operations (algae?), but costless to change the definition at this point.